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PETITION TO RESET PERIOD FOR REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Office that an Office Action dated August 17, 2001 was received by applicants representatives in the above-identified application on March 19, 2002 as is evidenced by the "date stamp" on the Office Action (copy attached hereto).

Applicant further notes that the entire six-month period set for response had elapsed by the time Applicant received the office action.

Applicants attempted to obtain a copy of the Official Filing Receipt (which would have included the Office Action) on November 28, 2001 by filing an Expedited Request for Official Filing Receipt. However, a response was not received from the Office.

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In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request that the period for reply be reset as of the date of receipt of the Office Action, i.e., March 19, 2002. Entry of this petition and prompt notification of the reset time is respectfully requested.

If any fees are necessary to act upon this request, the Patent Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1390.

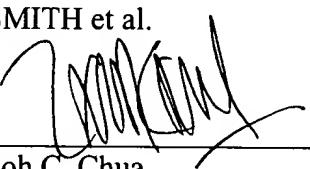
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